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VIRGINIA.

No railroad corporation or other common carrier shall convey or cause to be conveyed through or from any city, town, or place in this State, the body of any person who died of smallpox, Asiatic cholera, or yellow fever.

The body of any person who died of measles, diphtheria, scarlet fever, or typhoid fever, or other contagious, infectious, or communicable disease, before being offered for transportation must be wrapped in a sheet thoroughly saturated with a strong solution of bichloride of mercury in the proportion of one ounce of bichloride of mercury to one gallon of water and inclosed in an air-tight coffin or casket hermetically sealed, which shall be encased in a tight wooden box of material not less than 1 inch in thickness. Before any dead body can be received for transportation there shall be presented to the transportation agent a certificate from an undertaker stating that the regulations have been complied with by him; also a certificate from the local health officer, or where no health officer exists, a practicing physician, stating the name, the place of death, and the disease which caused the death of deceased. This certificate shall be furnished in duplicate. One copy shall be pasted on the box containing the dead body.

Smallpox in Dwight, Ala.

MOBILE, ALA., September 12, 1898.

SIR: I have the honor to state that 12 cases of smallpox, 7 white and 5 colored, have occurred at Dwight, Washington County, Ala., in the last six weeks. There was 1 death of a white infant last week. Health Officer Acker, of this county, vaccinated about 100 persons last week.

A white man and wife moved to Mallett, Miss., near the north line of Jackson County, and sickened with the same pest on August 23. These cases were cared for by the Mississippi State board of health at a cost of \$100. Dr. Folkes, State inspector, has just returned after disinfecting the persons and premises.

I am, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

R. D. MURRAY,
Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

Case of smallpox in Norfolk, Va.

NORFOLK, VA., September 20, 1898.

SIR: Referring to my telegram of this date, I have the honor to report that 1 case of smallpox was found in the city on yesterday and sent to the pesthouse. Another case is reported here and is being investigated. These cases have been traced to the Norfolk County cases of last spring. The local board of health is using every effort to suppress the disease, and in my opinion it is a very competent body.

Respectfully, yours,

EDWD. E. FIELD,
Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

Case of smallpox near Fort Scott, Kans.

TOPEKA, KANS., September 15, 1898.

SIR: One case of smallpox was reported September 15, at Pawnee, a town near Fort Scott, Kans. A tramp in a box car. Precautions taken.

Respectfully,

H. Z. GILL,
Secretary.